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In re Application of :  
Canali, Candemo, Fuster, :  
Banda, Walsh, Bergantino, : DECISION ACCORDING STATUS  
Schaffner, and Hasslinger : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)  
Application No. 09/784,330 :  
Filed: 16 February, 2001 :  
Atty Docket No. 025780-00001 :

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a),  
filed on 11 July, 2007.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Petitioners have shown that the non-signing inventors, Felipe J. Fuster and Frank D. Banda, have refused to sign the declaration after having been sent a copy of the application.

Specifically, petitioners have shown, via the statement of registered patent attorney Dale S. Lazar filed with the original petition, that a copy of the application was sent to the non-signing inventors. The copy sent to joint inventor Banda was returned as undeliverable and was re-sent to his business address. Neither inventor signed the declaration, and both non-signing inventors stated in e-mail messages to inventor Brendan B. Walsh that they would not sign the declaration naming them as joint inventors along with Luigi J.F. Canali, Stephen P. Candemo, Brendan B. Walsh, Gail M. Bergantino, Jorn M. Schaffner, and Michael R. Hasslinger.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventors at the

addresses given in the Declaration. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the *Official Gazette*.

The application is being referred to Technology Center Art Unit 3692 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-3231.



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In re Application of  
Canali et al.  
Application No. 09/784,330  
Filed: 16 February, 2001  
For: AUCTION BASED PROCUREMENT SYSTEM

Dear Mr. Fuster:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code), and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

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Dear Mr. Banda:

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